SENATE BILL 2694 By Bowers

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 63, Chapter 29, relative to midwifery.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 63-29-103, is amended in subsection (a) by deleting the word and number "nine (9)" from the third sentence and substituting instead the word and number "five (5)".

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 63-29-103, is further amended by deleting subsection (c) in its entirety and substituting instead the following new subsection (c):

- (c) Members shall consist of three (3) certified professional midwives, one (1) consumer, one (1) member who shall be either a certified nurse midwife or a physician.
- SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 63-29-106, is amended by deleting subsections (b) and (d) in their entireties and substituting instead the following new subsections (b) and (d):
 - (b) A quorum shall consist of a majority of the members.
 - (d) The council shall meet at least once each year.

SECTION 4. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 63-29-109, is amended by deleting subsections (b) and (c) in their entireties and substituting instead the following new subsections (b) and (c):

- (b) An initial certificate is available for no more than a two (2) year period.
- (c) The certificate is renewable pursuant to the division of health related boards' biennial birthdates renewal system.

SECTION 5. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 63-29-114, is amended by deleting subsections (b), (c), (d) and (e) in their entireties and substituting instead the following new subsection (b):

(b) Any contested case hearing held pursuant to this section shall be conducted in compliance with the Uniform Administrative Procedures Act complied at Title 4, Chapter 5.

SECTION 6. This act shall take effect upon becoming law the public welfare requiring it.

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